The County of Centre

PROCLAMATION

NUMBER #15 OF 2013

WHEREAS, children are our most valuable resource and the foundation of Pennsylvania's future; and

WHEREAS, motor vehicle crashes are a leading cause of death in the United States; and

WHEREAS, tens of thousands of children are injured each year in motor vehicle crashes; and

WHEREAS, today, all 50 states, the District of Columbia and all U. S. territories have laws requiring the use of child safety seats and seat belts for children traveling in motor vehicles; and

WHEREAS, parents and caregivers are encouraged to ensure that all children are appropriately buckled up every time they ride in a motor vehicle; and

WHEREAS, many child safety seats are not used correctly, or children are moved to the next restraint type prematurely; and

WHEREAS, during Child Passenger Safety Week, there will be hundreds of certified Child Passenger Seat Technicians available to complete free child seat safety at locations across the country:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Centre County Board of Commissioners does hereby proclaim the week of September 15-21, 2013 as "Child Passenger Safety Week" and September 21, 2013 as "National Seat Check Saturday" in Centre County and urges everyone to help reduce injuries and the tragic loss of life by wearing a seat belt and securely buckling up children on every trip, every time.

ADOPTED this 17th day of September, 2013.

CENTRE COUNTY-BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Steven G. Dershem, Chairman

C. Chris Exarchos

Michael Pine

ATTEST:

Firmothy T Boyde Administrator